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Applicant : Thirumani Sabanathan  
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Art Unit : 3738  
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**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Dear Sir:


Transmitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment and a return postcard in connection with the above-captioned patent application.



The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee for the extension of time and any other fee that may be due in connection with this and the attached papers or with this application during its entire pendency to Deposit Account No. 06-1050. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

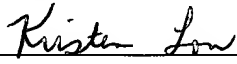
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Preliminary to the examination of the above-captioned application, please amend the application as follows.

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.

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